

Local News

: Personals :

H. Brown Bowie, of the Groggy Springs section of the county, was here Monday on business. He is a good farmer in his section.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Keys of Anderson, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Greene.

J. Roddey Devlin was a visitor to friends here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Branyon and Miss Olivia Branyon of Brownlee, spent Monday shopping in the city.

Miss Antoinette Thomson returned home Friday from Washington, D. C., where she has been visiting her friend, Mrs. A. L. Harvin.

Miss Louise McDill is at home from Columbia, after a pleasant stay with Mr. and Mrs. J. Fraser Lyon and Delph McDill.

Miss Louise DeBruhl is in Abbeville this week visiting Misses Mae and Eugenia Robertson. Her friends are always glad to have her come on a visit.

Miss Carlotta Alexander is here from Washington, Ga., visiting her friend, Miss Eunice Calhoun.

The friends of Mrs. P. A. Roche will be glad to know that she was able to return from Dr. Pryors hospital Sunday and is somewhat improved. Miss Annie Roche spent Saturday night in Chester and came home with her mother.

Dr. and Mrs. Whit Cheatham were here from McCormick on Sunday the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Cheatham.

Allen Robertson came home for the past week-end and brought his friends, N. A. George and W. E. Finch of Atlanta, and spent until Monday with Misses Mae and Eugenia Robertson.

Mrs. W. C. Boren and Miss Chase Boren, after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Peebles, have returned to their home in Greensboro.

Misses Edith Leach and Lucy Zachary spent a pleasant day in Greenville on Sunday with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Perrin took their little son, Ladson, over to the Greenwood hospital Saturday for a slight operation on his throat. The little fellow is getting on nicely and will be home in a few days.

Miss Annie Cochran, of Atlanta, is in the city for a stay of two weeks with her home people.

Miss Clara Wham returned home last week from Baltimore, much improved in health. She has been in the University hospital of Maryland for several weeks and we are glad to know that she is better.

Miss Edna Wardlaw returned home today from Chester, after a speedy recovery from an operation on her throat.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Link and little daughter, Helen, of Greenwood, spent the week-end here with relatives.

EXERCISES OF THE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The tenth grade girls declamation contest will be held Thursday afternoon, May 17, at five o'clock, in the Opera House. Dr. Swope will deliver a sermon on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Baptist church to the graduating class, and on Monday evening the graduating exercises will take place in the Opera House, beginning at 8:30. The class will be addressed by Dr. Lodge, President of Limestone College.

The program is as follows for the evening:
Chorus ----- Class
Salutatory ----- Fannie DuPre
History ----- Edna Bradley
Prophecy ----- Elizabeth Faulkner
Will ----- Mattie Eakin
Poem ----- Edward Harden
Music ----- Mary Milford
Address ----- Dr. Lee Davis Lodge, Pres. of Limestone College.
Delivery of Diplomas.
Valedictory ----- Mary Graydon

BENET GOES BACK FOR WAR SERVICE

Veteran of Medical Corps of Two Countries, He Now Enters That of His Own.

Dr. George Benet of Columbia, has again sailed for the war zone and will be in service there for the duration of the war. Since Dr. Benet returned from service in the army hospitals in France he has been on the surgical staff of the Huntington Memorial hospital at Boston. Upon the declaration of war Dr. Benet went to Washington and offered his services to the secretary of war and Surgeon General Gorgas. Acting under their instructions he has been sent abroad on a special mission, the details of which he is not at liberty to divulge. It is understood, however, that he will be attached to the first unit of American troops sent over.

Dr. Benet has had various experience in this war, having gone to France in 1914 with the American ambulance hospital, Paris. From there he went in the French army service, having charge of a hospital near Compiegne, three miles back of the lines. Then he transferred to the British service at one of the big base hospitals back of the British lines in northern France. With the British Dr. Benet had the rank of captain.

Dr. Benet wrote a number of letters from France which have been published in the newspapers of the State. It is a matter of interest that the Col. Goodwin of the English army, mentioned in one of these letters, is the same Col. Goodwin now in this country as a member of the British commission. Capt. Benet stated that Col. Goodwin had been in charge of the hospital forces at the battle of the Marne and that he had performed the most remarkable feat in the history of that service ever recorded. After the retreat from Mons Col. Goodwin and his men reported finally with every wounded and sick man that they had received for. The devotion to duty and attention to detail which that statement implies were graphically described in Capt. Benet's letter.

HERE ON A VISIT.

Rev. J. F. McKinnon is here from Oakland, Fla., on a visit to friends in Due West and Abbeville. He came down from Due West Monday and was renewing old friends and acquaintances. He was pastor of the Long Cane church about ten years ago and is well remembered in Abbeville. His friends are giving him a warm welcome.

ANOTHER SOLDIER.

George Simmons came down from Spartanburg last Saturday and spent a few hours in the city with his sister, Mrs. G. T. Tate and brother, Mr. C. B. Wosmanski, before entering the Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe.

George is a graduate of Wofford college this term and received his diploma a month earlier in order to enter the training camp. He is an Abbeville boy by birth having spent his early youth here and his friends are glad to hear of his success.

THE BOOK CLUB.

There will be an exchange of books by the members of the Book Club this morning at half after eleven o'clock, at the home of Mrs. S. G. Thomson. There will be no meeting, simply an exchange of books.

GETTING PROMOTED.

The friends in Abbeville of Townsend Smith will be glad to hear that he has been promoted from First Sergeant of the Butler Guards to a commission in the Engineering Corps of the National Guard.

HAPPY MARRIAGE.

Miss Ruth Ferguson and Mr. Robt. Ellis were quietly married Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. L. Daniel at the Methodist parsonage, with a few friends witnessing the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. Bert Ferguson of Honea Path, and Mr. Ellis is the son of Mr. W. R. Ellis of Cold Springs and is a brother of Mrs. Cliff King and Mrs. Rayford McKenzie of Abbeville.

The young couple are making their home for the present with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis and have the good wishes of their friends and relatives for a happy and prosperous life.

ATTENDING THE TOURNAMENT.

Mr. R. H. Kay left on Monday for Spartanburg, where he is attending the Fire Tournament held there this week. He is representing Abbeville and will be present at the business meetings. He will return home today.

MRS. MILFORD HOME.

Mrs. Fannie Milford has returned to Abbeville after an extended visit to relatives in Columbia. She had a pleasant time and brings many interesting stories home of the many war scares in the Capital city. The Press and Banner followed Mrs. Milford to Columbia and the only fault she finds with the paper was that it gave no news of what was happening in Fort Pickens.

TO SEE THE SOLDIERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Marchant, their young son, Tom, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hagerman of Greenville, and Preston Speed, who is stationed at Laurens, came Saturday and spent until Sunday with their home people. They came for the purpose of bidding Owen Speed and Wallace Harris good-bye before they entered Ft. Oglethorpe for training.

HERE ON A VISIT.

Miss Esther Graydon is in the city for a stay of several weeks with her many relatives and friends. She will be present at the graduation of her sister, Miss Mary Graydon, who is the honor-graduate of her class.

HOME FOR VACATION.

Chalmers Haddon arrived home on Saturday from the Atlanta Dental College, where he has been studying the past term, and will spend his summer vacation in the city with his mother.

GOES TO COLUMBIA.

Andrew Jackson leaves this week for Columbia, where he has a position with the Southern Railway as flagman. His friends here give him up with regret, but their best wishes go with him in his new career.

Winthrop College SCHOLARSHIP and ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 6, at 9 A. M. Applicants must not be less than sixteen years of age. When Scholarships are vacant after July 6 they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for Scholarships should write to President Johnson for Scholarship examination blanks. These blanks, properly filled out by the applicant, should be filed with President Johnson by July 1st. Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 19, 1917. For further information and catalogue, address President D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

A FISHING TRIP.

Mrs. Lucie E. Cochran entertained the Rook Club members of her neighborhood and a few other friends by taking them to Martin's Mill last Thursday after six o'clock on a fishing party. A delightful picnic lunch was enjoyed after some time had been spent in fishing. The party arrived home at ten o'clock, having had a jolly time.

VITAL STATISTICS.

During the month of April in Long Cane Township, there were six births two whites and four colored, and five deaths, one white and four colored. E. R. Miller, Registrar.

CONSCRIPT AGE 21 TO 30. ROOSEVELT HAS CHANCE, TOO

Washington, May 11.—The long deadlock of senate and house conferees on the selective draft military bill was broken today with agreement on a compromise measure under which a great war army would be raised by selective conscription of men between the ages of 21 and 30, inclusive.

Authorization for recruiting Col. Roosevelt's proposed volunteer division for service in France, written into the bill by the senate and defended stubbornly by the senate conferees, finally was thrown out on the insistence of committeemen representing the house. In return the house yielded to the senate's proposal for prohibition at military posts.

The conference report is expected to be given approval by both senate and house within a few days and within two weeks after the president has affixed his signature registration of those eligible for conscription will be under way throughout the country. Some States already have selected their registration boards and the war department has erected a vast and intricate war machine for assigning and organizing the conscripts. They will be assembled at training camps in September.

WARMER ABOUT MIDDLE MIDDLE OF THE WEEK

Washington, May 12.—Continued cool weather, followed by a general rise in temperature, beginning Tuesday or Wednesday, is the forecast for the southeastern states for the week. Local showers Wednesday and Thursday are forecasted.

DUE WEST.

Due West, May 15.—The Mower and Kirkpatrick contests were held in the auditorium on the evening of May 7, 1917, with the following program:

R. O. Nelson—Decoration Day Address at Mount Auburn Cemetery. Ebenezer Gettys—To the Memory of Washington.

Ebe Grier—At War With Germany.

C. W. Boyd—The Destiny of America.

N. Frank Quinn—The Destiny of Democracy.

C. F. Thompson—Ancient and Modern Oratory.

J. L. Hood—The Signing of the Declaration.

J. F. Craig—The Making of America.

P. L. Grier, Jr.—The American Union.

Kirkpatrick contest in composition and declamation.

L. H. McDaniel—The Obligations of American Democracy.

C. O. Williams—America the Leaven of Democracy.

D. K. N. Welborn—An Ideal American Citizen.

C. M. Boyd—The Responsibility of Leadership.

W. L. Miller—Founding and Purpose of the American Democracy.

W. C. Halliday—What is America's Mission?

A large audience was present and it proved to be quite a success.

We are glad to report that Mrs. O. Y. Brownlee returned home from Anderson hospital last week where she underwent an operation for appendicitis and is getting along nicely.

Miss Janie Morris of Willington, spent several days last week in town the guest of her many friends. Miss Morris is on her return from New York, where she has spent the winter studying music. She is a graduate of the Woman's College in both literary and music departments and has taught piano there for a few years.

Mrs. Margaret McLaughlin of Charlotte, has been the guest for several days of Mrs. G. G. Parkinson and Mrs. James Pressly. She re-

turned home on last Monday in company with Mrs. G. G. Parkinson, who went on to Statesville, N. C., for a visit to her father.

Mr. Leon Brown of Troutmans, who graduated at Erskine last year, spent several days last week in Due West.

Mrs. Hanna of Covington, Tenn., and Miss Alice Parkinson are the guests of Mrs. W. L. Brownlee.

A number of the young men of the seminary attended the Presbytery in Charlotte last week.

Miss Annie Pruitt has returned from her school at Reids, Greenville county.

The public school closed last Friday.

Commencement Sabbath comes this year on June 8.

The Due West community was invited to come and see the result of the years work by the sewing class at the public school. Miss Mary Kennedy was in charge of this. The result was amazing. The exhibit was

excellent. Embroidery, french knots, hemming, hem stitching, crochet and tatting on and in articles of all and many kinds. A committee of three ladies awarded the prize in 9th grade to Sara Carwile. She had among other articles, a table runner with "Carwile" crocheted in an elaborate piece remarkable for one so young, requiring exactness and much patience. The 7th grade prize went to Bertha Pressly, who had a beautiful and varied assortment of 12 pieces, all well done.

The 3rd grade was given to little Virginia Hagan, aged 9 years. This exhibit few grown-ups could surpass. The exhibit was a revelation as to what the child of today is capable of being taught. All these girls (none over 15) are to be commended as well as their teachers.

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